

MOTHERS' STORM A SCHOOL

AFRAID FIRE NEXT DOOR WOULD REACH THEIR CHILDREN.

East Side Women Clamor at Doors Locked by a Quick Witted Janitor—Pupils Sing "Star Spangled Banner" and the Nasty Pante Is All Outside.

A gigantic Irishman, John Sullivan, is janitor of Public School 81, at Stanton and Forsyth streets. Sullivan is aware of the temper of the East Side, and as soon as he heard yesterday afternoon that a lively little fire had started next door to the school building he knew what to expect.

In about three minutes he knew one little group of anxious women would gather outside the school building, filled with fear for their children inside at their studies. To this little group would be added other women. In a very short time there would be hundreds of them, huddling and shrieking. If not prevented they would make a rush up the stairs. What would happen when 2,400 hysterical mothers nobody could tell. John Sullivan didn't intend that anybody should be able to find out. He lost no time in locking all the doors. The mob of women formed exactly as Sullivan had foreseen, but the only panic was among them and they were kept outside.

The fire started at 9:30 o'clock on the top floor of the six-story tenement house at 50 Stanton street, adjoining the school building, in a flat occupied by Salvatore Massaline, a tailor.

There were several hundred children in the assembly room of the school at the moment. Miss Mary McLaughlin, the principal, sent word to the teachers in the assembly room that the children must be kept from getting frightened. Sullivan and his assistants promptly closed all the windows on the Stanton street side of the building, so that little of the uproar in the street reached the pupils. Meantime the children were set to singing "The Star Spangled Banner," all the verses and anything else that the teachers could think of. The fire engines could be heard rattling up and the hum of the big steamers was audible as soon as they got to work, but the children were told that the blaze was "way down the street" and that there wasn't any danger. They were a little restive but not scared.

Before the fire engines arrived the first little group of anxious women had gathered. Soon there were a hundred. In fifteen minutes there were a thousand. The street was packed with them. They began to walk in concert. Some of them approached the locked doors and beat upon them, for as the fire waxed in fury the fears of the women grew. And when the flames burst out of the tenement windows and flashed nearly half way across Stanton street a cry of terror went up from the women, and they renewed their futile attacks on the heavy locked doors.

Miss Henderson, one of the teachers, came out of the building. She knew many of the mothers personally and tried to quiet them. She told them that the minute the firemen said there was the least danger the children would be marched out. But the women would not be comforted. They pressed so closely on the teacher that it looked as if she would suffer violence.

Just at this moment, however, Capt. Day of the Eldridge street police station turned the corner with a squad of reserves. They pressed the women back from the school building and quieted their fears. The firemen found that a single stream was not enough to strangle the fire, but two did the trick all right in about half an hour. It wasn't much of a fire after all, 450 being about the damage.

The women, however, hung about the school building long after the firemen had got control of the flames. Some of them were still starting at the locked doors an hour after the fire had started. As for the children, they went about their lessons in the quiet usual manner.

BAKES CLOSED AS UNCLEAN.

Factory Inspectors Move Without Regard to the Strike.

Factory inspectors closed up yesterday as unsanitary six bakeries in Orchard, Rivington, Willett and other streets affected by the strike against the East Side Bakers Association for the closed shop. The bakeries were shut early in the afternoon, and as soon as the news leaked out all the boss bakers began a wholesale cleaning up.

While the Church Association for the Advancement of the Interests of Labor and the Woman's Trade Union League have been talking of investigating the non-union bakeries the factory inspectors were at work on union and non-union bakeries without discrimination. They warned a number of bosses to clean their bakeries, with the alternative of having them closed up. The six whose places were closed neglected the warning.

The officers of the bakers' association said that all six were union label bakeries. In one of the bakeries closed yesterday the bakeries opened into a place where there was a makeshift of a bed. In another a baker was found lying asleep on top of a pile of bags of flour. When the bakeries were closed by order of the inspectors the following notice is attached to the wall on a red card and sealed:

"Unclean. Affected pursuant to law by the New York City Department of Labor. Not to be removed without the authority of the Commissioner of Labor."

Late in the afternoon three of the bakeries had complied with the law and were allowed to reopen. The others remained closed.

The first member of the boss bakers' association to break loose and sign an agreement with the union was a settlement yesterday and got the union label. He is Davis Marder of 39 Essex street.

BOY'S OBESITY SAVES HIM.

Another Lad Stabs Him, but Knife Does Not Reach a Vital Spot.

DOVER, N. J., May 25.—Two school boys engaged in a tussle here today and one of them thrust a knife into the ribs of the other. A crowd of children witnesses stood agape when they saw the blood flowing from the wound, and it was several minutes before the teacher could be summoned and aid brought to the sufferer.

It happened at the North Side Public School and the victim of the assault was Robby Stout, who weighs some forty pounds more than other boys of his age. The assailant was Willie Small, who had been twitting the Stout lad about his preponderance of adiposities.

The cause of the assault was also the protection which saved the life of the larger lad, for the little knife in the hands of his adversary was not long enough to penetrate even through his generous layer of adipose tissue, and when the doctor had arrived and the excitement was over it was found that Stout had only a superficial wound, notwithstanding the blade had been thrust into his side up to the hilt.

Willie had been crying "Elephant" at the larger boy and when he began to be pummeled he pulled the knife in self-defense.

Killed by a Longshoreman's Punch.

In a row in a saloon at 180 Park row last night Patrick Flynn, a longshoreman, struck a young man in the face and then left the saloon. In a few minutes the young man dropped to the floor dead. The only clue to his identity is an unmarked post card in his pocket addressed to Val Meiser of 317 Elm street, West Hoboken, N. J.

MITCHELL REPLIES TO KIRBY.

Objects to a Speech About the Use of Cannon to Disperse Rioters.

The executive council of the National Civic Federation gave out yesterday an advance copy of an article by John Mitchell which is to appear in the next issue of the *Federation's Review*. This article is a reply to a speech made by Mr. Kirby, the newly elected president of the National Association of Manufacturers. Mr. Mitchell gives this account of the speech:

When his election as president of the National Association of Manufacturers was announced Mr. Kirby declared: "My policy is the policy of David M. Parry and J. W. Van Cleave. The question that is uppermost in our minds to-day is the labor question. I have been selected as your president on account of my national reputation, but because you know where I stand on the labor question."

As an illustration of the methods to be pursued Mr. Kirby referred to the incident in 1914 at which Gov. Seymour of New York attempted unsuccessfully to quell with a pacific speech a riot in Troy. "Then," said Mr. Kirby, "a Captain wheeled a 12 pound gun into line and the rioters dispersed in every direction. That's my way of dealing with a criminal. The only way to handle that animal the organized way is to take him by the horns and shake the cussedness out of him. The labor question involves a great principle that should be compromised if America is to stay America. We find men of prominence who ought to be ashamed of themselves harboring the leaders of that organization the American Federation of Labor and sending them out over the country to address women's clubs. That is the greatest danger we have. If it had not been for that class of people organized labor of the militant type would be as dead as a mackerel to-day."

A series of quotations from well known men in defense of labor organizations followed and then gives his own views as follows:

One has but to read the reported utterances of the chosen spokesmen of the National Association of Manufacturers to become fully convinced that the only truthful and sane declaration made by him was that in which he says: "I have not been selected as your president on account of my ability."

I am sure that I shall not be charged with transgressing the rules of propriety if I suggest that the National Association of Manufacturers should take counsel from and profit by the experiences of the great industrial enterprises of our country, the owners and managers of which work in harmony and cooperation with the organized workmen they employ.

Paradoxical as it may appear, the representatives of this employers' association in one breath decry and denounce what they term "class divisions" and "class hatreds" and in the next breath malign and berate their fellow countrymen who work in sympathy with the legitimate purposes and high ideals of the labor movement. They claim and proclaim the right and necessity of organization among employers, yet deny to workmen the right of organization.

They are able to do this because they are able to call for the use of the cannon as a means of dispersing the workmen; they malign and traduce the great majority of the employers of labor who refuse to join in carrying forward their unholy and un-American designs to destroy the organized labor movement, and to cap the climax of their inconsistency they impugn the motives and question the intelligence of the religious, educational and philanthropic organizations of our country simply because these institutions have opened their doors to the organized labor movement and have listened respectfully to the claims made in behalf of the working men and women whose brain and brawn have contributed in no small degree to the commercial, intellectual and moral supremacy of the nation.

MISSING GAS REBATE CHECKS.

One of Them Found in Weinstein's Pocket—Uncashed—He Cashed Another.

Robert A. Burbank, counsel to United States Commissioner Shields, who is special master in charge of the gas rebate payments, retained Henry Bennett Leary of 55 Broadway to look into complaints from customers who had not received their checks. In due course it was discovered that a check drawn on April 23 to the order of C. C. Cohen of 79 Livingston street for \$13.37 had been cashed by Abram Isaacson, a restaurant keeper, for a man whom he said he knew by sight but not by name. Isaacson was told, Mr. Leary said yesterday, that he could have to yesterday to produce the man, otherwise he would be required to make good the \$13.37.

Yesterday Mr. Leary was sent for by Mr. Isaacson, who said that the man who had given him the check had come into the restaurant again and that he, Isaacson, had grabbed the check and taken it to the police. Mr. Leary found in the custody of the police a man who gave him the name as Bernard Weinstein. In Weinstein's pocket the police found an opened envelope which had been sent out in the course of the gas repayments addressed to M. Weiss, 177 Orchard street. It still had the check and coupon enclosed. Weinstein said the check had been given him by a man in Seward Park to whom he was to return with the money. He said that he could identify the policeman to do so.

After several tours of the park Mr. Leary said yesterday afternoon that Weinstein told the policeman that a man who was asleep on one of the benches was the man. The officer awakened the sleeper none too gently and took him to the station house where the court. The officer admitted no knowledge of the check or of Weinstein and he was discharged. In court he spoke only in German, which was greatly surprised afterward, he said, when the German speaker asked in good English who was going to pay him for his sleeping time lost in going to the court.

Weinstein was held in \$1,000 bail on a short affidavit. Isaacson informed Mr. Leary that Weinstein had told him when presenting the first check that C. C. Cohen was his sister. M. Weiss was called to court and declared that he had not received the envelope and check addressed to him which had been found in Weinstein's pocket and that he was unaware that such a check had been sent to him. Weinstein said that the same man who gave him the check yesterday had given him many others.

ATTACK ON EXPRESS COS.

Complaint to Interstate Commerce Commission That It's Unlawful.

A motion on behalf of John L. Dudley, the stockholder of the United States Express Company who is suing for an accounting, was on the calendar in Special Term, Part I, of the Supreme Court yesterday. It asked for the appointment of a receiver. Just before the case was called Louis H. Sturges, counsel for Dudley, received a letter from State Senator B. E. Sundberg of Minnesota saying that he had lodged a complaint with the Interstate Commerce Commission alleging that the United States Express and American express companies were in a combination to fix rates. Senator Sundberg suggested that Mr. Sturges have a conference with him in Washington on June 1.

In view of this state of facts the motion was withdrawn, but it will be made again for a week later. It will be made again for a week later. It will be made again for a week later.

CHOIR BOYS FAINT IN CHURCH

EXCITEMENT AT EPISCOPAL CONVENTION AT GARDEN CITY.

Three Carried From Choir Loft in Cathedral—Auto Containing Them Is Ditched and Ministers Exhorted It—Bishop Opposes Church Fairs.

GARDEN CITY, L. I., May 25.—The third annual diocesan convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church began this morning in the Cathedral of the Incarnation. The session was opened with the regular communion service. After the anthems had been sung a low moan was heard from among the choir boys and Alfred Palamoutian, one of the tenors, was seen to lift the limp body of Andrew Orth, a soprano, who had fainted because of lack of fresh air and the prolonged service, and place it on a bench.

Hardly had he done this when another groan was heard and Roger Sinclair Ellison, another singer, thinking that Orth had fallen dead, swooned. George Navio, believing both of the other boys were dead, also fainted. The three boys were hurried out and placed on the grass. They were soon revived. The automobile of Philander C. Jennings was then procured to take the boys to St. Paul's school.

The boys were placed in the trolley and as Mr. Jennings was backing out the rear wheels of his car slipped into a ditch. The machine was pulled out by ten of the ministers with the aid of two planks.

After the excitement had subsided a marble bust of Abram Newkirk Littlejohn, D. D., D. C. L., LL.D., the first Bishop of Long Island, was unveiled and a short address was made by the Rev. Dr. Henry C. Swentzell. The bust stands on the south side of the cathedral, near the baptistry.

The two most important features of this year's convention are the proposed changing of canon 19, which will change the form of marriage service, burial service and baptism, and the proposed change to the preamble of the constitution. These two matters will be taken up to-morrow. At the afternoon meeting to-day Bishop Frederick Burgess made an address. The Bishop spoke at length of the proposal made by some for either subdividing the diocese or appointing a Bishop Coadjutor. He maintained that this was entirely unnecessary, as he could not but be satisfied that the diocese were given a sufficient force of secretaries and relieved of detail work. He spoke of the growth of parish houses in the diocese and urged that they be guarded in every possible way. He said they should never be kept open later than 10:30 or 11 o'clock at night.

That the morals of the young or the work should be protected, he said, by not allowing any form of gambling or the raising of money by any but strictly legitimate methods. He decreed that such a large proportion of church money was raised from fairs, cake sales and theatricals.

He next advocated pensioning ministers who had arrived at a certain age, say 60 years. He pointed out that a minister's calling is not a lucrative one and provides no chance of laying up money. Clergymen, he said, should not preach the gospel of truth, righteousness and mercy.

The Bishop considered it proper for ministers to speak against bad laws, indecent posters and other evils outside of the pulpit, but on no account should they speak of these things in the pulpit. The pulpit was of truth, righteousness and mercy.

TO HURRY NEW SUBWAY PLANS.

Board of Estimate Asked to Approve Double Deck Route.

Because of the expectation that the Governor will sign the bill permitting the building of new subways with private capital the Public Service Commission wrote yesterday to the Board of Estimate asking for an immediate approval of the plan to construct a double deck subway on that part of the Broadway-Lexington avenue route which extends from Houston street to the Harlem River.

The route as planned by the old Rapid Transit Commission provided for a four track line on one level, but Lexington avenue is so narrow that the new board has modified the plans to provide for a two story line. The engineers of the Public Service Commission have estimated that this change will mean a saving of about \$10,000,000. The subway can be kept within the curb lines and not invade vault spaces or make necessary the purchase of easements.

It was reported yesterday that the Interborough company, rather than lose the chance of extending the present subway north under Lexington avenue, was planning to suggest a scheme to the Public Service Commission which would cross Manhattan Bridge or by connecting the proposed line with the existing tunnel to Brooklyn. At the offices of the Interborough company no confirmation of this report could be obtained. The only information that could be ascertained was that the company was preparing to submit plans to the commission for the extension of its present subway system but that the company was not yet ready to give out the details of these plans.

One company has already offered to build a subway running north under Lexington avenue from Forty-second street and another under Seventh avenue proceeding south from Long Acre square. The latter plan has not been known that it will not sanction the Lexington avenue extension, but that it would agree to a plan which would carry the existing subway north on the East Side under Third avenue.

OIL TRUST MADE DEFENDANT.

Standard of New Jersey Included in Ohio Anti-Trust Suit.

TOLEDO, Ohio, May 25.—The Circuit Court, in session at Findlay, to-day took up the cases transferred from Lima tooust the Standard Oil Company from owning and controlling any of the stock of the Ohio Oil Company, the Solar Refining Company and the Buckeye Pipe Line Company. Some time ago the court suggested that the Standard Oil Company remain a party to the suit. Attorney General Denman and his assistant, Mr. Miller, appeared for the State, while a great array of legal talent represented the Standard. The State contends that it has shown that the Standard Oil Company controls the three companies named and that facts warrant a decision compelling the Standard to return to the original owners all stock held by it in these concerns. Just before the noon adjournment an order was allowed by the court making the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey a party defendant to the suit. Both sides had agreed to this. The case will now rest until such services can be secured.

Col. Gorgas Returns From Panama.

Among the passengers who arrived here last night on the steamship Panama from the Isthmus was Col. W. C. Gorgas of the Canal Commission. He was accompanied by Major James P. Gorgas. The Panama arrived at the dock at 9:45 and will come up to the city this morning.



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THE BREMEN ARRIVES WITH PELORA, THE DOG.

Here to Await a Fresh Crew From the Old Country Pelora, Joined the Mess On Brazil After Three Expulsions—The Officers to Be Entertained.

A snug little German cruiser slipped past Snag Hook yesterday morning and ran up the Hudson all the way to Eighty-sixth street before she let go her anchor. She was S. M. S. Bremen, in from Baltimore. The Kaiser has kept in American waters, north and south, ever since she was commissioned five years ago. Capt. Hopman brought her to New York so that he could exchange half his crew for men fresh from Germany, but in the two weeks that he's here New York Germans are going to see to it that he and his crew have a good time. Pelora, the dog, will stay by the ship.

The Bremen is a trim little ship of 3,000 tons, with three funnels and a bow that reaches out along the water line like the blade of a knife. She is painted white from stem to stern and her funnels are buff, like the stacks on the German passenger steamships. Her twenty-four guns are hidden away behind her white sides and she looks peaceful enough.

Everybody on board is waiting until one of the North German Lloyd steamships gets to New York next Monday. That's the ship that will bring the relief, half a crew and three officers, 140 men or so. It is the Kaiser's practice to keep his sailors on the American station for two years and then call them home again. The Bremen's term on the station isn't finished yet, nor is Pelora, the dog's. Pelora's term, they say, never will be, because she came aboard of her in accord not only once but twice and yet the Kaiser's "if you please." So Pelora, being a South American dog, won't be relieved. She's as much a part of the ship now as the torpedoes.

That is they think she's a South American dog. It was at Pernambuco, in Brazil, that she first made her name. She jumped aboard a launch and came out with the officers one night after the band concert in the plaza. The officers sent Pelora back to land that night and she didn't come back. But the fourth time they kept her and she's stayed. The ship's company put her down as a deserter from the British warship Pelorus, which had just put to sea, and christened her accordingly. It took a denial of ownership three months later from the captain of the Pelorus himself to make the Bremen's case believe. Pelora was just a plain South American dog. She's there, with a marked disapproval of civilian legs.

Capt. Hopman's calendar is getting pretty full of engagements. He's going ashore with as many of his officers as can leave the ship to-night at the invitation of Consul-General Rudolph von Frankenstein to meet the members of the Deutscher Verein at the clubhouse, 112 West Fifty-ninth street.

On Saturday night the officers of the Bremen will be living in New York will entertain them, and for Sunday night the Krieger Verein have asked them ashore. They will have the fun of showing some of the Bremen's officers. New York for the first time. They do not leave until June 10.

Judgment for \$25,000 Against C. W. Supreme Court Justice Dowling ordered yesterday a verdict for \$25,000.05 for the plaintiff in a suit brought against Charles W. Morse by Bayard L. Peck as assignee of the defunct Stook Exchange firm of Whitney & Kitchen of 32 Nassau street. The amount was a judgment for the balance due on stock transactions. The brokerage firm, which got much of its trade from Tammany politicians of the old school, failed on January 18, 1908.

AUTO SPEEDER GETS 6 MONTHS.

Imprisonment Postponed Because of Consumption Plea.

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He was ordered by the Court not to run an automobile for six months. He was arrested on April 27 for speeding in the heart of the city and the policeman who stopped him, George Murphy, got into the machine and ordered him to drive to police headquarters. Instead Penfield took Murphy for a mile a minute right through the center of the town, endangering the lives of many pedestrians and finally running into a crowd of teams.

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Coroner's Jury Decides George Straehi Was Killed Accidentally.

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L. J. R. R. TRAINS KILL TWO.

One Man Hit in East New York. Another in Jamaica—Third Hurt.

Many persons saw two men killed by motor trains of the Long Island Railroad last evening in Atlantic avenue in East New York and in the same street at Woodhaven, Queens, two miles apart. Another man was found in a dying condition near the railroad tracks at South Street, Jamaica, having apparently been mangled by a train. He was removed to St. Mary's Hospital.

The first accident was at Atlantic and Railroad avenues. East New York. Motorman Terence McInerney of Spruce street, Orange Park, was in charge of a train that had just descended from the elevated structure when he saw the victim, who was unidentified up to a late hour last night, step out upon the tracks. A train bound for the Flatbush avenue station had just passed. McInerney blew his whistle and threw on the brakes, but the train struck the man and threw him ahead of the train with great force. The sudden jarring caused by the application of the brakes threw passengers from their seats.

The victim was well dressed and about 50 years old. There was nothing about his person to give the police a clue to his identity. The back of his skull had been crushed in.

Three hours later Michael Latsko, 30 years old, of 127 Avenue C, was killed. He was struck and instantly killed by a motor train bound for Jamaica at Atlantic and Park avenues, Woodhaven, near an agate ware factory from which he was returning at the end of his day's work.

Tony Naple, 32 years old, address unknown to the police, was found dying alongside the railroad tracks at South Street, Jamaica. He had fallen from or been struck by a train. His right leg was broken and he was otherwise injured about the head and body.

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